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KEMP LOVED KANSAS GIRL.

But It Was Not the Same Feeling He Has for Mrs. Sinclair.

New York, Aug. 31.—"I am a normal minded person that has got into an extraordinary situation and as such is the case I will tell my side of this tragedy of romance."

That is the way the mild mannered, blue eyed, thin visaged poet of Kansas spoke of his "mention" in the divorce papers which Tipton Sinclair has filed in the state of New York against his wife.

It was up at the home of the parents of Mrs. Sinclair that Harry Kemp expressed his views on love and matrimony.

"Mrs. Sinclair is too finely a poised woman," he continued, "to believe that our friendship has been such a friendship as would make it necessary for me to stand between her and the world. No, that attitude would be displeasing to both of us and what we want to do is to get all we can out of life in the highest, finest way that it is possible for us to do. I am not looking for a soul mate."

Asked if he had ever loved before he met Mrs. Sinclair, Kemp colored up like a boy in his teens and added hesitatingly: "Yes, once—two years ago. She lived in Kansas and she was very wonderful to me—yes, I loved her and she knew a good deal of literature and the things that interest me, but it was only a love affair with marriage an impossibility. She married another."

Mr. Kemp added:

"But did you feel the same for her as you do for Mrs. Sinclair?" he was asked.

"Oh, no. It was a fine thing, a real love, but not the fuller, deeper love I have for Mrs. Sinclair."

BOY SWALLOWS SPLINTER.

Doctor Sees "White Spot" and Finds Wood "Working Out."

Barnard, Kan., Aug. 31.—The two-year-old son of E. S. Strange complained of something being wrong with his throat. He made the doctor understand that he had swallowed a small piece of wood. Not being able to find anything of that kind in his throat his parents thought he must be mistaken and that nothing was really wrong. But four days later the little fellow came so much fuss about it that they took him to a doctor. On examination the doctor noticed what looked like a small white spot on the inner side of one of the tonsils. It proved to be a splinter of wood half an inch long, and it had worked clear through the tonsil.

PIONEER TRIES SUICIDE.

C. B. McClellan Twice Slashes Throat With Razor.

Oskaloosa, Kan., Aug. 31.—In a fit of temporary aberration C. B. McClellan attempted suicide here. He cut two gashes in his throat. His daughter prevented a third. He is 88 years old. He settled here in 1857 and was a member of the Wyandotte constitutional convention and one of the best known citizens of the county.

BLIND WOMAN GETS FAUL.

One Arm Broken and Other Dislocated in Tumble Down Stairs.

Salina, Kan., Aug. 31.—Mrs. Taylor, the blind woman who has been singing on the streets for the past week, met with a very serious accident at her rooming house here. As she was leaving her room she slipped and fell down the stairs, causing a fracture of one arm at the wrist and dislocating the other. She also suffered several contusions of the brain and was generally bruised up by the fall and was in a serious condition for some time.

MISS MURIEL STEELE TO BE MARRIED NEXT MONTH.

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She is reported to be resting easy and to be in a fair way to recovery.

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HE BUILDS HOUSE

Merritt Beeson Performs All Work Connected With It.

Orchestra Cornetist Acts on Suggestion of Sweetheart.

HE DRAWS OWN PLANS

Ten-Room Structure Built by One Man Nearing Completion.

Three Months More Required to Finish Up Work.

Dodge City, Kan., Aug. 31.—Every one who has visited in Dodge City this summer has heard about the wonderful concrete house on the Beeson ranch, just south of the city. It is one of the show places in western Kansas this summer and every guest in the city is taken out for a motor drive across the river to see the big concrete house and to give the host a chance to tell some of the tales about how the house came to be there.

The best part of the story is that every pound of material used in the house except the lumber was taken from the ranch upon which it stands, and that all the labor in constructing it was performed by the owner.

Merritt Beeson, who built the house, is the son of Chaik Beeson, the "fiddling statesman," who can manage the first "fiddle" in the town of Dodge City as easily as he can make a reunion speech, spin a cowboy story or frame up a political "deal." Young Beeson made his livelihood as a musician, but he is still playing orchestra parts at the theaters. Falling health brought him back to the ranch three years ago.

A short time after his return he met a fine western girl and soon they were considering plans for the wedding. "But we ought to have a home," the girl said one day, "suppose you build us one out on the east section of the ranch."

Young Beeson had no inclination then to argue that point or any other point. If it had been necessary he would have agreed to build a dome to cover the Rocky Mountains.

After the wedding the house proposition came up again and the young man had to get to work. He drew the plans himself and planned the best farm house in Ford county. He then bought the cement. That was all he needed to buy. The sand was taken from a creek bed on the ranch. He made his own block machine and roofing tile machine. The rest was labor. He furnished that himself.

It is no small job for one man to build a 10-room house of concrete. Young Beeson began his work more than a year ago, and the house is not yet completed. Probably three months more will be required to get the house ready for occupancy, but when it is completed it will be one of the most substantial homes in western Kansas.

Up to the present time no material has been purchased for the house except the cement and the windows. The cement blocks were made on the ranch and the tile roofing was burned there.

With this building as a model it is expected that a large crop of home-grown residences will be produced on western Kansas ranches next year.

MRS. REESE IS FREE AGAIN.

Rev. Hood Line Fined \$50, Goes Back to Jail.

Iola, Kan., Aug. 31.—Mrs. Ella Reese, who recently was sentenced to the municipal work pile, was purged of contempt by Judge Smeltzer here Wednesday and permitted to go at liberty unconditionally. Mrs. Reese was freed after she had testified in the case against the Rev. Hood Line, who was charged by her with questionable conduct.

Line was fined \$50 and cited for contempt of court because he failed to appear in court when his trial was called last week. He was unable to pay the fine and went to jail.

DRIVE OUT BAD NEGROES.

Black Speaker Says Negro Alone Can Solve Race Problem.

Kansas City, Aug. 31.—Two thousand negroes here listened to B. K. Bruce, of Leavenworth, Kan., grand master of the Brothers of Friendship and Sisters of the Mystical Ten, when he told them that the race problem of the negro could be solved by the negro and by him alone.

The occasion was the meeting of the order to hear the annual reports of officers. Grand Master Bruce said:

"The first duty of the negro is to teach his children the responsibilities of life; that he has something to

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do on earth, a mission to perform. He must be active, industrious and intelligent and must be taught above all other things that work is honorable and idleness is crime."

The speaker advocated a negro vigilance in every community which should run out the negroes who could not show some means of support.

CAT GOES MAD; BITES THREE.

Stock and Children Victims of Crazed Feline.

Iola, Kan., Aug. 31.—A house cat, long the pet of the children of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Steward, who live on a farm eight miles south of LaHarpe, ran amuck when it became rabid, bit three children and some of the stock in the barn lot before it was finally cornered and killed. The children, aged 12, 7 and 3, were taken to a Pasteur institute in St. Louis.

The cat's head was sent to Topeka for examination by members of the state board of health. A letter received from the laboratory experts says that while the examination appears to show that the cat was not affected with rabies to any perceptible degree, the board of health does not wish to assume the responsibility of recommending that no treatment be given the children and the stock. In order to be on the safe side, Mr. Steward, accompanied by a physician, took his children to St. Louis, where the cases will be cared for until it is certain that all danger is passed.

BOYS WOULD GO PIRATING.

Steal Lumber to Make Boat Go Down Neosho River.

Chanute, Kan., Aug. 31.—Orville Smith, Vern Barnes and Burdette Slane, the three boys arrested for stealing the lumber from the Chanute Lumber company to go on a pirate cruise down the Neosho, were taken to Erie by Undersheriff Carlisle to await their hearing on the charge of petty larceny. The other two lads implicated by the captured ones' statements have not been located.

Two beds, bed clothing, cooking utensils and clothing were found in one of the rooms of the house. This it seems, was the headquarters of the gang. In one corner of the room was found a pair of fancy, high-heeled boots sometimes seen on the street cowboys. Skeleton keys and a revolver were found in the clothing that belonged to one of the boys.

The value of the lumber the boys used is estimated at \$10. Nails, strips of new tin and about a hundred pounds of red lead for calking the boat were found about the place.

POTATOES ARE PLENTIFUL.

Offered to Jobbers at 50 Cents a Bushel in Car Load Lots.

Salina, Kan., Aug. 31.—The potato famine is broken. Jobbing houses all over Kansas and the other middle west states have all the potatoes they can use and the stores are all heavily stocked. Jobbing houses are offering Kaw valley potatoes for 50 cents a bushel by car load and fancy Wisconsin and Minnesota potatoes are bringing only 70 cents. The Colorado crop, which is just coming on the market, is showing the Kaw valley potatoes off and these potatoes will sell for 50 cents a bushel in a few weeks.

Local potatoes which remained the size of a pea during the drought, started in to growing again with the first rains and now good sized potatoes are being dug out of these patches.

LARNED PLANS BIG FAIR.

Pawnee County Dates Are September 12 to 15, Inclusive.

Larned, Kan., Aug. 31.—The third annual Pawnee county fair will be held at Edwards park in Larned, September 12, 13, 14 and 15, and will be bigger and better than ever.

Pawnee county started out in 1909 to establish an annual fair. The first fair was gotten up in five weeks, and was such a success that it was seen at once that it should be placed on a permanent basis. This was made possible by the generous gift of forty acres of ground in the edge of Larned by J. G. Edwards, which should be used for fair and park purposes.

The coming fair for 1911 will surpass that of last year in every way. More departments have been added, and with the experience gained in the past years the management feels justified in predicting the most successful fair ever held in Pawnee county.

BEER TAX IS ADOPTED.

Collection of Boozie Revenue Will Begin at Once.

Leavenworth, Kan., Aug. 31.—Without a murmur of protest, the liquor tax ordinance passed its second reading at the meeting of the city commissioners. One minor amendment was added, changing the tax on some of the liquors. Within the next few days the gathering of the taxes will commence.

"One of the local police officers will be appointed to keep tab on the various wagons laden with booze that come into the city," said Mayor Dodge. "If we see that he can not handle it, then a special tax officer will be appointed."

ELLSWORTH AFTER MORE GAS.

Private Concern Will Sink Fifth Well in New Field.

Ellsworth, Kan., Aug. 31.—A contract has been made to drill a fifth gas well in Ellsworth. This, however, will be done by a private corporation, and not by the company which sunk the other wells. The new well will be located a quarter of a mile south of the first well.

The gas from the other wells is still pouring out as rapidly as ever.

TRIES TO SAVE BABY; DROWNS.

Girl and Young Nephew Lose Life in Cistern.

Emporia, Kan., Aug. 31.—Miss Inn VanGrundy, of Encinitas, Cal., was drowned near Neosho Rapids, nine miles southeast of Emporia, when she attempted to rescue her one-year-old nephew who had fallen into a cistern. The child also was drowned. Miss VanGrundy, who formerly lived at Neosho Rapids, is a member of one of the oldest and wealthiest families in this section.

TAFT WILL GO TO BALDWIN.

Bristow and Campbell Also to Attend Mason's Inauguration.

Baldwin, Kan., Aug. 31.—President Taft has accepted an invitation to attend the inauguration of Dr. Wilbur N. Mason as president of Baker university here September 24, according to a telegram received here by the Dean Markham, of the university, from Representative P. P. Campbell, Senator Bristow of Kansas, and Representative Campbell, both graduates from Baker, also will attend the inauguration.

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